

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-6 (Canceled).

Claim 7 (Currently Amended) A bone site preparation device for removing damaged tissue from a bone site and for forming an annular groove around the site, said device comprising:

a reamer for forming the groove;

a centralising device ~~(31)~~ housed within the reamer and having a pointed end for piercing the bone and defining a centre of a circle delineating a defect site of the bone; ~~and~~

means biasing the pointed end axially outwardly of the reamer to engage with the bone whereby a surgeon may operate the device via one hand by simultaneously maintaining the centralising device engaged with the bone while cutting the annular groove with the reamer[.];

cutting teeth at one end of the reamer; and

at least one debris channel formed in said one end to allow bone fragments formed by the teeth to escape while the annular groove is being formed;

wherein the length by which said at least one channel extends over the length of the reamer from the cutting edge is greater than the length by which the teeth extend along the length of the reamer from the cutting edge.

Claim 8 (Canceled).

Claim 9 (Original) A device according to claim 7, including a cylindrical cutter for removing damaged tissue and which can inter-fit with the reamer to be rotatable relative to the reamer.

Claim 10 (Original) A device according to claim 7, in which the end of the reamer remote from the centralising device is adapted to be coupled to a power tool.

Claim 11 (Canceled).

Claim 12 (Canceled).

Claim 13 (Canceled).

Claim 14 (New) The device as claimed in claim 7 wherein the length by which the at least one channel extends from the cutting edge is greater than the width or diameter of the reamer.

Claim 15 (New) The device as claimed in claim 7 wherein the at least one channel is aligned parallel with the longitudinal axis of the reamer.

Claim 16 (New) The device as claimed in claim 7 wherein the at least one channel extends at an inclined angle from the cutting edge relative to the longitudinal axis of the reamer.

Claim 17 (New) The device as claimed in claim 7 wherein the length by which the at least one channel extends along the longitudinal axis is greater than the width of the channels.

Claim 18 (New) The device as claimed in claim 7 comprising two channels extending from the cutting edge of the reamer.

Claim 19 (New) The device as claimed in claim 7 wherein the at least one channel extends along the reamer from the cutting edge by a distance 10 mm to 15 mm.